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In re Application of
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Application No.: 10/530,915
PCT No.: PCT/US2005/002809
Int. Filing Date: 02 February 2005
Priority Date: 02 February 2004
Attorney's Docket No.: A4-144-CIP-US
For: ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR FOR
CONNECTING A CABLE TO A
CIRCUIT BOARD

DECISION

This application is before the Office of PCT Legal Administration for matters arising under 35 U.S.C. 371.

BACKGROUND

On 08 April 2005, applicants filed papers to enter the national stage of PCT/US2005/002809 using docket number A4-144-CIP-US which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, authorization to charge the required national stage fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1873. This application was given U.S. application number 10/530,915.

On 01 August 2006, a duplicate national stage application for PCT/US2005/002809 was filed by the same attorney. Fees in the amount of \$900.00 were submitted. The U.S. application number was denoted as 10/588,048.

DISCUSSION

As is evident from the above recited facts, two sets of papers to enter the national stage were submitted for international application PCT/US2005/002809. The end result for an international application designating the United States of America is a single U.S. national stage application.

Therefore, the submission of two sets of national stage papers to enter the United States was improper.

CONCLUSION

Both applications will be merged into one national stage application for PCT/US2005/002809.

Applicants are advised that U.S. application No. 10/588,048 is no longer a valid U.S. National stage application. The \$900.00 in fees paid in U.S. application No. 10/588,048 have been credited back to Deposit Account No. 50-1873.

Applicants must use only U.S. application No. **10/530,915** for all correspondence to the national stage application of PCT/US2005/002809.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of PCT Operations for continued processing.



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